410 IAC 1-2.5-96 Ehrlichiosis; specific control measures

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Sec. 96. The specific control measures for ehrlichiosis (infectious agent: Ehrlichiaor Anaplasma species) are as follows:

- (1) An investigation by the local health officer shall:
  - (A) be performed within seventy-two (72) hours; and
  - (B) include an interview with the patient to determine:
    - (i) exposure to ticks; and
    - (ii) the location of exposure for the previous four (4) weeks.

Information gathered is useful in identifying foci of infected environments and public education campaigns on prevention.

- (2) Standard precautions are required.
- (3) Concurrent disinfection is required. All ticks shall be removed from the patient.
- (4) Quarantine is not required.
- (5) Immunization is not available. Protection of contacts is not applicable.
- (6) The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists set the standard clinical and laboratory case definition

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